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NHL stars to head to Winnipeg

HERITAGE CLASSIC

Oilers, Jets will face off with Hawerchuk, Gretzky at helm

Hockey fans will get to watch legend Wayne Gretzky and rising star Connor McDavid play outdoor games next October.

On Sunday, the NHL announced the Winnipeg Jets will host McDavid and the Edmonton Oilers in the 2016 Tim Hortons Heritage Classic on Oct. 23 at Investors Group Field. The Heritage Classic returns to the regular-season schedule after games in 2014 in Vancouver, 2011 in Calgary and 2003 in Edmonton.

The day before, a legends game will feature Gretzky as the Oilers captain and Dale Hawerchuk his counterpart for the original Jets team.

"I think the alumni game, it would be pretty cool to see the two historic franchises going together like that," McDavid said.

Winnipeg will play outdoors for the first time.

WHA linemates Bobby Hull, Anders Hedberg and Ulf Nilsson have been confirmed, while Hawerchuk said he's asking linemates Brian Mullen and Paul MacLean to play. Even Teemu Selanne, whom Hawerchuk didn't play with, has agreed to attend.

Gretzky said his lineup could include former Oilers Mark Messier, Paul Coffey, Dave Semenko and Jari Kurri. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Architecture film festival bringing back short films

COMPETITION

Moviemakers challenged to promote 'built environment'

Braeden Jones
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Building on the success of last year, the only architecture-specific film festival in Canada is bringing back its two-minute film contest "Archishorts" for a second season.

The competition — which will screen top entries during the A+DFF Architecture and Design Film Festival in Winnipeg — challenges filmmakers to "promote not just architecture ... but the built environment," said film curator and architecture professor Ted Landrum.

"(Films) are great ways to show how the physical environment is part of our lives in an interesting and meaningful way," he said.

Even so, doing all of that in two minutes is a tall order for any short film.

But Landrum said despite it being a contest, it's wide open in terms of what submissions may look like and who participates.

"It's not intended to be professionals only, it's definitely an amateur, open contest," he said.

Last year some of the films were almost commercial in nature, highlighting something specific about a particular project an architecture firm had on the go.

"Those are good to see ... but the focus is more general, helping people to discover the value of their environment," Landrum explained.

Some of last year's shorts were panoramic cityscapes set to music, or montages of like-environments spliced together.

Another entrant last year showed buildings being demolished, and how it affected the surrounding neighbourhood, and "one of the honourable mentions ... was someone who interviewed their grandfather, who was an architect."

"It was a very intimate story that actually had resonance with people familiar with the industry," Landrum said, adding there are a "wide variety" of entries, but that's exactly what he wants.

The deadline for submissions — a maximum of two per individual or team in either youth (under 18) or adult category — is March 24.

The Archishorts will screen April 16 during A+DFF, which runs April 13-17.

For more information, visit adff.ca or contact archishorts@gmail.com.

Winnipeg, which has many stunning architectural examples, will be the site of the Architecture and Design Film Festival. COURTESY WINNIPEGARCHITECTURE.CA

HEALTH

Hospital controls amid flu

The Winnipeg Regional Health Authority is taking steps to protect kids through its child health program during flu season.

The authority's medical director says the Health Sciences Centre children's hospital "is seeing an increase in the number of cases of Influenza A."

As a result, the hospital is putting visitor restrictions in place to prevent transmission of respiratory infections.

Restrictions include postponing visits in some cases, avoiding bringing children or others who become sick easily to visit, and diligent hand washing.

In the neonatal intensive care unit, only parents may visit during this time. METRO

IN BRIEF

Crown Royal workers in Gimli hit the picket line

More than 50 members of local 832 of the United Food and Commercial Workers who work at the Crown Royal distillery in Gimli, Man., are now on the picket line.

The workers voted 98 per cent on Friday night to reject the final offer from Diageo Canada.

Union president Jeff Traeger said wage increases, vacation time and health and welfare benefits were the sticking points in negotiations.

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TAYLOR PISKOR

Teen dies weeks after train collision

A 15-year-old hockey player has died weeks after colliding with a train while driving home from a game with her father.

Taylor Piskor had been in a coma since the accident happened on Jan. 10 near Elie, west of Winnipeg.

Her father, Peter Piskor, also sustained back injuries and had several broken bones that required surgery.

According to a GoFundMe Page, the teen died Thursday night at the Health Sciences Centre.

The GoFundMe page that had been set up to support the family said the girl died with her family by her side.

"She fought a hard fight but clearly she was needed up in heaven," reads the page. "I once again want to thank absolutely everyone for the love, support, well wishes and prayers sent to Taylor and her family.

"Peter, Lisa and Kyla may you find comfort in knowing the positive effect Taylor had on everybody's life she touched."

Many of the donations on the GoFundMe page came from both boys' and girls' hockey teams across Manitoba.

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Teen hockey player Taylor Piskor has died. GOFUNDME/HANDOUT

Winnipeg's aging sewers and water treatment plants are in need of upgrades. METRO FILE

Water rate hikes on hold

BUDGETS

Increase would mean extra $23 to $25 each bill for family of 4

Stephanie Taylor
Metro | Winnipeg

A decision to increase Winnipeg's water rates has been delayed.

During a special meeting of the water, waste and river management committee on Friday, councillors voted unanimously to delay a report that recommended implementing a three-year increase to water and sewer rates, beginning April 1.

For nearly seven hours, the committee pored over the preliminary operating and capital budgets for the department, as part of the city's overall budget approval process, which lasts until March 22.

The committee heard rate increases are mainly driven by the required capital costs needed to upgrade infrastructure in order to meet licensing demands.

That includes $1.2 billion worth of upgrades to some of the city's sewer treatment plants, and at least $1 billion for basement flood relief with a combined-sewer overflow program.

"We do need more money for the water and sewer system, and this is the way we get it," committee chairman Coun. Brian Mayes told reporters outside the meeting.

If approved, residents would see their water bills increase quarterly by 9.2 per cent in 2016, then 8.9 per cent and 7.4 per cent in 2017 and 2018, respectively.

For a family of four, city staff expects that to be an extra $23 to $25 each bill.

A 12 per cent dividend of gross water and sewage sales from the rate — which amounts to $32 million in 2016 — would also be put back into the city's general revenue to pay for road repairs, according to city finance chair Coun. Marty Morantz.

But the vote was ultimately put on hold after Coun. Ross Eadie tabled a motion to delay the report.

He lauded the financial plan presented by the department, but believed more time was needed for other councillors to take a "hard look" at the proposal.

"The public expects us to do due diligence and ensure that we know what we're doing," Eadie said.

NEXT DATE

The report will return to the next water and waste committee meeting on April 14.

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IN BRIEF

30 months for child porn

Minnesota resident Robert William Roske was sentenced to 30 months behind bars after entering a guilty plea Tuesday in Winnipeg provincial court to smuggling child pornography into Canada.

Court heard Roske was charged under the Customs Act as he tried to enter the country last July at Sprague, Man. Canada Border Services Agency officers discovered suspected porn images when they checked his electronic equipment.

Investigators seized the property and later found a total of 1,954 images and 389 video files of child pornography belonging to Roske.

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PCs would ban spotlighting

Progressive Conservative leader Brian Pallister said he would work to put an end to spotlight hunting in the province if his party forms government in April.

The practice of spotlight hunting transfixes animals caught in the sudden beam of light — usually from an off-road vehicle.

Animals are mesmerized by the lights, and easy to spot due to eye-shine that hunters can easily pick up in the dark. In a prepared statement, the Conservatives said the animals have "nothing even resembling a fair chance.

"Spotlighting is a public safety issue as well," Pallister said. "It's dangerous to people, property and livestock."

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Handmade flying contraptions took over The Forks, in the first **Winter Wind Derby.** DAVID LIPNOWSKI/FOR METRO

Winnipeg's winter may be on way out

WEATHER

Above-zero temps forecast for entire week

Elisha Dacey
Metro | Winnipeg

Winnipeggers took to city parks by the thousands on the weekend as temperatures soared over the freezing mark and the sun melted snow.

Environment Canada called for above-zero temperatures all week, including a possible high of 9 C on Friday… although Winnipeggers were quick to scoff.

"I don't think we'll make plus-9," said Michael Simpson, 38, skating with his two kids at The Forks Sunday afternoon. "But our winter hasn't been too bad, you know, and an early spring? Heck, I'll take it."

The Red River Mutual Trail was the scene of much skating action and the city's first Winter Wind Derby on the skating trail at the Forks.

> **An early spring? Heck, I'll take it.**
> Michael Simpson

Local tinkerers registered for the event in November, and then spent the next few months building their "handmade flying contraptions" designed to propel the user using only wind and human power.

No motors or gas or electric propulsion was allowed, and competitors had to build their vehicles themselves.

The Forks spokeswoman Karen Pauls said the wind turned in their favour Saturday afternoon.

The Red River Mutual Trail's final day was Sunday, as was The Forks' pavilion skating pond and the Assiniboine Duck Pond at Assiniboine Park closed on Saturday.

"With the warm temperatures expected in the coming week, APC staff anticipates that the duck pond will no longer be safe for skating after (Saturday)," said the park.

MAIN STREET

Two charged in death

Braeden Jones
Metro | Winnipeg

Winnipeg police have charged two people in relation to a Main Street homicide.

A Peguis First Nation resident, Henry Kipling, 43, was visiting Winnipeg for a wedding social when he visited the Northern Hotel on Main Street Feb. 27.

A minor dispute escalated and led to Kipling being the victim of two separate assaults.

First he was confronted outside the business and assaulted by a woman. Then, while waiting for a cab, he was assaulted a second time in the same area, this time by a man who robbed him and left him badly hurt.

Kipling was taken to the hospital by ambulance, where he eventually died.

Earlier this week, Winnipeg Police released surveillance camera images showing two people of interest to the case, a man and a woman.

The video also showed the assault, which Const. Jason Michalyshen called "disturbing to watch."

Jenna Rose Traverse, 23, was arrested Thursday and charged with aggravated assault due to her alleged involvement.

Police issued a Canada-wide warrant for Travis Chief, a.k.a. Travis Guimond, 23. Police said they caught up to Chief in Waywayseecappo, Man., and he was arrested by members of the Dakota Ojibway Police Service on Friday night.

Mom guilty in disabled girl's death

Cynara Ali in an undated family photo. CONTRIBUTED

CRIME

Mother gets 25 years for first degree murder charge

A Toronto mother accused of killing her severely disabled daughter was found guilty of first-degree murder in the girl's death on Sunday.

Cindy Ali, 45, was sentenced to life in prison with no chance of parole for 25 years.

Ali had pleaded not guilty in the death of 16-year-old Cynara, who had cerebral palsy and couldn't walk, talk or feed herself.

Crown prosecutors had argued that after years of being the primary caregiver for the infant-like Cynara, Ali smothered her daughter with a pillow and created an elaborate story about a home invasion to cover up her crime.

Ali's defence lawyers argued, however, that Cynara was cherished by her mother and died either after seizures that might have been triggered by the alleged home invasion, or from a lung infection.

"I expect we will have instructions from Cindy Ali and her family to proceed with an appeal," Ali's defence lawyer Christopher Hicks said outside court following the verdict.

Cynara was pulled off life support in a Toronto hospital in February 2011, two days after emergency personnel responding to a 911 call about a home invasion found her without vital signs.

An autopsy found Cynara's immediate cause of death was a brain injury from deprivation of oxygen, which was caused by cardiac arrest. That cardiac arrest, court heard, could have been caused by suffocation.

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GREAT LAKES

U.S. city asks to draw water from basin

A request by a small city in Wisconsin to draw water from the Great Lakes is causing concern among American and Canadian communities around the basin, with some opponents warning the move could set a dangerous precedent for other jurisdictions facing water shortages.

Waukesha, a city of about 70,000 people, wants to divert water from Lake Michigan because its own aquifer is running low and the water is contaminated with high levels of naturally occurring cancer-causing radium.

The city argues that although it's located outside the boundary of the Great Lakes basin, it is part of a county straddling that geographical line and therefore should be allowed access to the lakes' water. It also promises to return treated water to Lake Michigan.

Under a current regional agreement between eight U.S. states and Ontario and Quebec, diversions of water away from the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River basin are banned, with limited exceptions that can be made only when certain conditions are met.

Waukesha is seeking to become the first such exception.

Ontario and Quebec have a part to play in the entire process, which is heading towards a final decision this spring, because they are part of the regional agreement known as the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Basin Sustainable Water Resources Agreement, which was signed to protect waters in the basin.

Because Waukesha is in the U.S., however, the two Canadian provinces will not be part of a final vote by eight state governors that will determine the issue.

> **The significance of this application is very far reaching.**
> Mitch Twolan, mayor of Huron-Kinloss, Ont.

"The significance of this application is very far reaching," said Mitch Twolan, mayor of Huron-Kinloss, Ont., and chair of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative, which represents more than 100 local governments on both sides of the border.

"This could open up the door for different municipalities and counties and regions around the Great Lakes basin that maybe don't have a good supply of water or in some cases not the best water."THE CANADIAN PRESS

TOLERANCE

Call to action against racism

A Vancouver-area radio DJ wants people across Canada to raise their hands — figuratively and literally — against racism this month.

Shushma Datt, founder and host of Spice Radio, immigrated to Canada in the early 1970s: "I went to many stations and was not accepted," Datt told Metro. adding she eventually landed a gig in ethnic media.

Since then, despite the initial career struggles she attributes to race, Datt has launched a sub carrier radio station and has put Spice Radio on the map.

Last year's inaugural event was a huge success, Datt said."It was so popular we had calls coming in as far as England and Germany, even India and Pakistan."

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U.S. President Barack Obama, right, and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau held a bilateral meeting at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit in the Philippines in November 2015. **Trudeau will visit the White House, speak to a women's group in New York and attend a nuclear summit in Washington throughout March.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Trudeau U.S. trip a stately throwback

POLITICS

PM channels former prime minister with 3 visits in March

This month will feel like a blast to a long-lost past where Canadian prime ministers visited the United States frequently and received considerable attention while doing so.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau will be in the U.S. three times this month: for a state-level visit to the White House this week, to speak to a women's group in New York the following week and for an international nuclear summit in Washington at the end of the month.

The number of visits in such a short period and the level of attention they're expected to garner will have a bit of a Mackenzie King feel to them.

Newspapermen would crowd into the Canadian embassy and write lengthy stories even when the famously tight-lipped King had nothing to say during his several-times-a-year visits to his buddy Franklin Roosevelt.

"It's only to be expected that when one of the capital's favourite visiting statesmen comes to town he will be wined, dined and feted," a 1942 society column in the Washington Post wrote.

The trips became less familiar and less frequent after the Second World War.

Lester Pearson visited a few times in a short span. He was on the front page of the New York Times and Washington Post, smiling with John F. Kennedy at the family compound in Cape Cod.

His next visits were tinged with tragedy following the death of Kennedy, and he was at odds with Lyndon B. Johnson.

There's a more relevant precedent for the attention on Trudeau: his dad.

OPPORTUNITY

Obama White House veteran Brett Bruen said Trudeau could capitalize by doing more unconventional media. "Establish him as an American celebrity ... That's one of the unique opportunities offered by his prime ministership," Bruen said.

"A world which seldom spares a thought for Canada and Canadians is suddenly interested in Pierre Elliott Trudeau as the most improbable of prime ministers," began a 1969 profile in the Washington Post.

Trudeau infuriated Americans by ordering a reduction in oil exports to the U.S. by nearly one-quarter during the 1970s oil shock. On one visit, he was warned by a famous lawmaker that this would cause an "ugly relationship."

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Half a million could die due to changing climate

ECONOMIC RESEARCH

Prognosis grim for future food production

Food scarcity and malnutrition, triggered by climate change, could lead to half a million extra deaths by 2050, grim new research indicates.

The deaths, say researchers in England and the United States, could occur as a result of changes in diets and body weight from decreased crop productivity. The researchers found that fewer fruits and vegetables would be available as a result of climatic changes. That decrease will increase rates of heart diseases, strokes and cancer, they found.

Three-quarters of the projected extra deaths will be in China and India.

Unless action is taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, climate change would cut the fruit and vegetables available to people in 2050 by 4 per cent, the calories available by 3 per cent and the red and processed meat by 0.7 per cent, the study found.

Published in the medical journal The Lancet last week, the study provides the most advanced projections yet of the effects climate change will have on food and health in 155 regions worldwide by the year 2050.

A boy walks through failed crops and farmland in Afar, Ethiopia early this year. Crops have failed and farm animals have been dying amid a severe drought that has left Ethiopia appealing for international help to feed its people. MULUGETA AYENE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

> **We did a serious amount of work (to model for 2050) ... within the realms of what we could sensibly project.** Sherman Robinson

Previously, most research has looked at the ripple effects of food insecurity caused by climate change, specifically political instability and refugee crises. Few studies have focused on the wider health effects of changes to food production, said Marco Springmann, lead author of the study and a researcher at the Oxford Martin Programme on the Future of Food at the University of Oxford in England.

Climate change hits different food sources in different ways, he said in an interview. But fruits, vegetables and even some grains are especially vulnerable to warming temperatures. "Fruits and vegetables are more climate sensitive than meat production."

The researchers used an agricultural and economic model with data on emissions to consider a range of scenarios. The prediction of 500,000 extra deaths by 2050 is a middle-of-the road scenario compared with a world without climate change, the study says.

The deaths would be caused by two factors: people not getting the right nutrition and people being underweight. The majority of the predicted deaths were found to be caused by lack of nutrition — people forced to eat fewer fruits and vegetables.

A few countries could see climate-related decreases in deaths, related to a lower caloric intake, the study said. Any changes in availability of food and eventually consumption would reduce obesity in some places — a condition linked with disease and an increased risk of death.

Climate change has already been called the biggest global health crisis of our times because of floods, droughts and increased risk of infectious diseases.

Meanwhile, experts warn that changes to diet beyond 2050 could be even greater.

"We did a serious amount of work (to model for 2050) ... within the realms of what we could sensibly project," said Sherman Robinson, a senior research fellow at the International Food Policy Research Institute in Washington and one of the authors of this study.

"All the climate models start to accelerate after that, unless you had serious mitigation."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

UNITED STATES

Bullies targeting Muslims

In response to a surge in reports of anti-Muslim bullying — students being called terrorists, having their head scarves ripped off and facing bias even from teachers — U.S. schools are expanding on efforts deployed in the past to help protect gays, racial minorities and other marginalized groups.

Civil rights organizations and other advocates have been working more closely with schools since the attacks in Paris and San Bernardino, California, stirred a new backlash that led the U.S. Justice Department and U.S. Education Department to urge vigilance on the bullying of Muslims.

While stressing that students have rights under the law, and that offences should be reported, speakers at schools and mosques have also discussed how to create an inclusive culture, how Muslims are scapegoated for attacks and how non-Muslims can be allies to their peers.

While schools generally do not keep statistics on motivations for bullying, a survey of 600 Muslim students in California by the Council on American-Islamic Relations, an advocacy group for Muslims in the U.S., found in October, even before the latest attacks, that 55 per cent reported facing religion-based bullying — a rate twice as high as the national average of students who report being bullied at school. Officials with the group say bullying reports have spiked in recent months.

Parents say that incidents often go unreported, particularly among older students, and that many families address the problem by changing schools or home-schooling.

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UNITED STATES

Nancy Reagan, 94, dies

Nancy Reagan, helpmate, backstage adviser and fierce protector of Ronald Reagan in his journey from actor to U.S. president — and finally during his 10-year battle with Alzheimer's disease — has died. She was 94.

The former first lady died Sunday at her home in Bel-Air, Calif., of congestive heart failure.

When she swept into the White House in 1981, the former Hollywood actress's partiality to designer gowns and pricey china was widely dismissed as a pre-feminist throwback. She maintained that her only mission was to back her "Ronnie" and strengthen his presidency.

Mrs. Reagan carried that charge through the rest of her days. She served as a full-time caretaker as Alzheimer's melted away her husband's memory. After his death in June 2004 she dedicated herself to tending his legacy, especially at his presidential library in California, where he had served as governor.

She also championed Alzheimer's patients, raising millions of dollars for research and breaking with fellow conservative Republicans to advocate for stem cell studies. Her dignity and perseverance in these post-White House roles helped smooth over the public's fickle perceptions of the former first lady.

She was thrust into the political life when her husband ran for California governor in 1966 and won. "The movies were custard compared to politics," Mrs. Reagan said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ronald and Nancy Reagan AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Women fear being seen

AFGHANISTAN

UN agency to black out pics on website to highlight plight

A United Nations agency in Afghanistan plans to stop publishing photographs on its website to highlight the plight of Afghan women ahead of International Women's Day on March 8, a UN official said on Sunday.

The move aims to bring attention to the fear many Afghan women have of the potential consequences of appearing in public or having their photographs published, said Rob Few, chief of communications for the UN Development Program in Kabul.

Photographs already on the UNDP's Afghanistan website would be blacked out starting Sunday, and replaced with the hashtag #WhereAreTheWomen, Few said.

Few said the UNDP's decision came after an Afghan woman helped by the agency to escape an abusive forced marriage said she was too afraid to have her photo published alongside a report about her experience.

"Walk down any street, or into any government office, or into any hospital, police station, business or university, and you have to ask yourself, 'Where are the women?'" Few said.

The post-2001 constitution protects women from violence and discrimination. But after more than 30 years of conflict, Afghan society has largely retreated into religious conservatism that has seen more women, even in Kabul, wearing the burqa and the niqab full-face veil for fear of a Taliban return.

President Ashraf Ghani has pledged that women's rights will not be eroded in exchange for peace with the Taliban.

The UNDP's decision to question the way women are treated in Afghanistan comes ahead of the anniversary on March 19 of the public murder of a woman in central Kabul, after she was falsely accused of burning a Qur'an. Farkhunda Malikzada was set upon by a mob, beaten, driven over by a car, and burned.

Her killers had their sentences commuted, and her immediate family has left the country for their own safety. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The UN Development Program in Kabul plans to stop publishing photos of women on its website **ahead of International Women's Day on March 8, a UN official said on Sunday.** SCREENGRAB

A man carries his baby as refugees wait near the border fence at the Greek-Macedonian border near the Greek village of Idomeni, where thousands of refugees and migrants wait to cross the border into Macedonia. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

IN BRIEF

More flight debris found

Johny Begue, the man who found a fragment of the Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 that disappeared two years ago, has found more debris on the island of Reunion.

He turned it in to police. Begue found a fragment known as a flaperon on July 29 that investigators identified as part of the jet that disappeared with 239 people March 8, 2014.

Begue said the new item is square and measures 40 by 40 centimetres. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

REFUGEE CRISIS

Migrants drown off Turkey as Macedonia cuts flow

At least 25 people drowned off the Turkish coast while trying to reach Greece on Sunday, while Macedonian authorities imposed further restrictions on refugees trying to cross the Greek border.

The Turkish coast guard launched a search-and-rescue mission for other migrants believed to be missing from the accident, the state-run Anadolu Agency reported, and rescued 15 off the Aegean Sea resort of Didim, it added. The dead included three children, according to private Dogan news agency.

Meanwhile, Greek police officials said Macedonian authorities are allowing only those from cities they consider to be affected by war to cross the Idomeni border crossing from Greece. That means people from cities such as Aleppo in Syria, for example, can enter, but those from the Syrian capital of Damascus or the Iraqi capital of Baghdad are being stopped.

The two officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to speak on the record.

A UN refugee agency official in Macedonia confirmed the new restrictions, and criticized the decision.

"This is not all right," said Ljubinka Brasnarska, UNHCR senior external relations assistant in Macedonia, told the AP. "Everybody from Syria who came needs international protection. This decision could be taken only by other competent international bodies, not by border authorities," she said, adding she couldn't explain the latest move.

Police said there were more than 1,000 people, mostly Syrians and Iraqis, currently stuck on the Macedonian-Serbian border.

The developments come a day before a summit between the European Union and Turkey to discuss the crisis, which has seen more than one million people reach Europe last year.

Nearly all refugees and other migrants who enter the EU have been doing so by taking small inflatable dinghies from the Turkish coast to the nearby Greek islands. With thousands of kilometres of coastline, Greece says it cannot staunch the flow unless Turkey stops the boats from leaving its shores.

Athens has criticized Europe for not sticking to agreements to take in refugees in a relocation scheme that never really got off the ground. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ON THE BORDER

Refugees wait in camp

About 13,000-14,000 people remain stranded in Idomeni, with more arriving. The rate at which refugees are being allowed to cross into Macedonia has been reduced to a trickle. Greek police said 240 people crossed between 6 a.m. Saturday and the same time Sunday morning. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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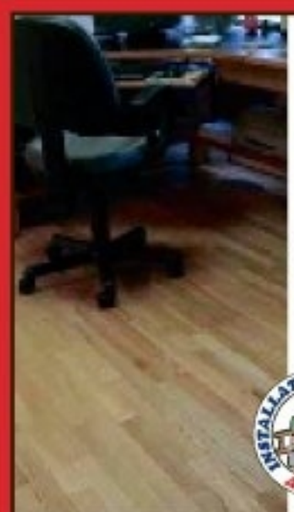

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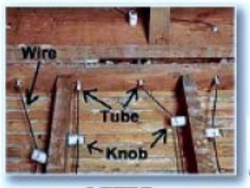

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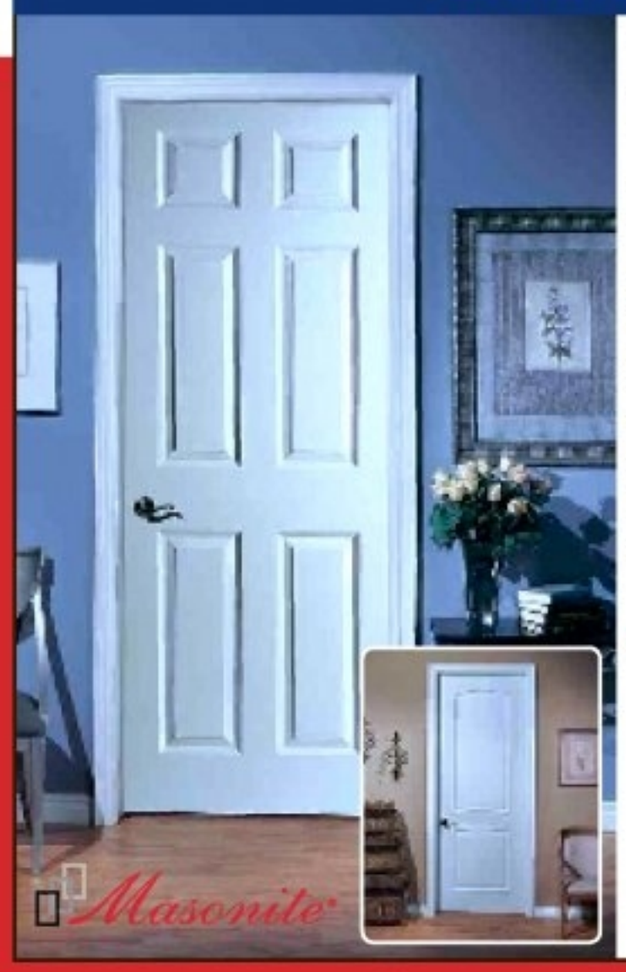

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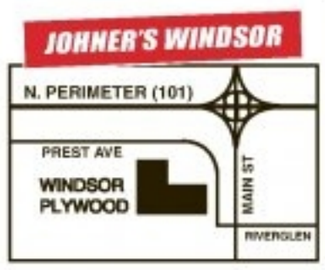

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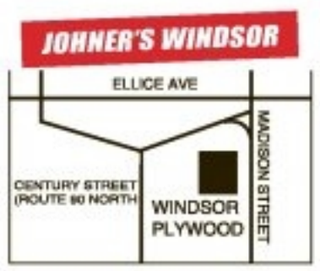

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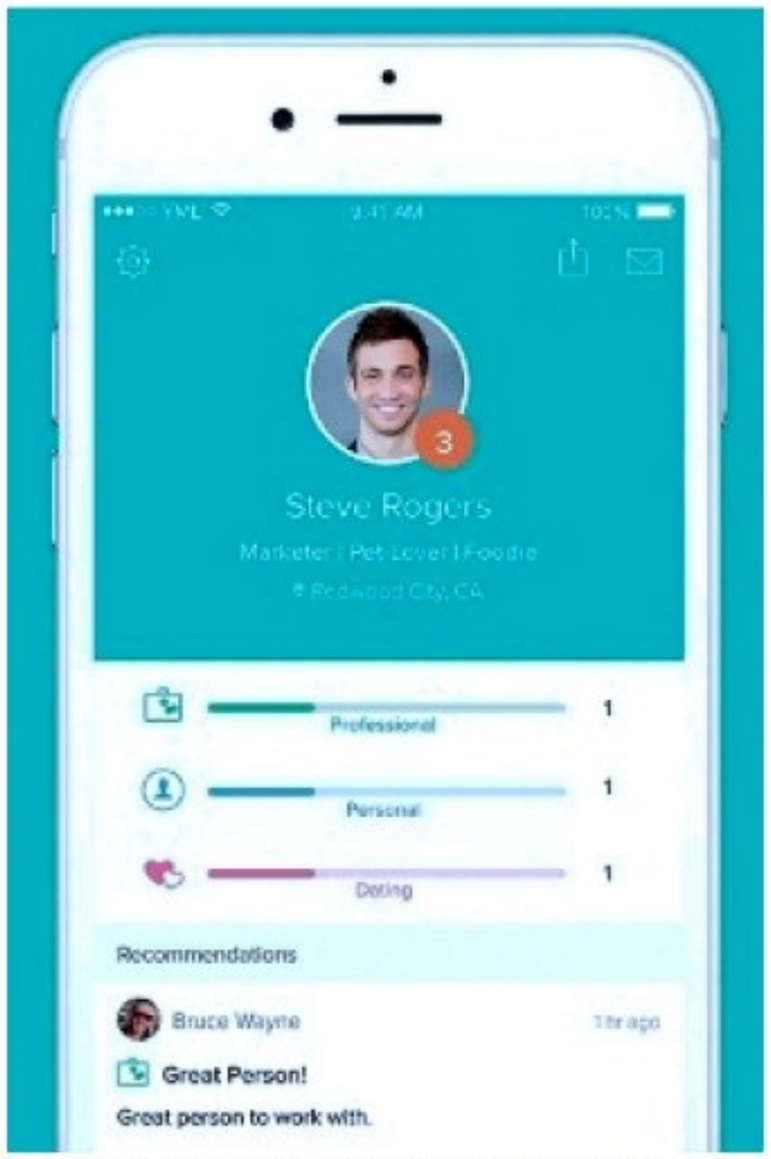

Peeple, a controversial app that was initially called the most hated app in the world, is coming out in a watered-down form. CONTRIBUTED

Peeple rating app finally set to launch

CONTROVERSY

Founders forced to make changes after online furor

It was reviled as the most hated app in the world, and that was before it actually existed. Now people will get a chance to judge Peeple, as it is set to become available for download on Apple's App Store on Monday.

Last October, when its creators first unveiled Peeple, which is best described as a "Yelp for Humans," it managed to do the unthinkable and unite public opinion online. The only problem was that the sentiment was almost entirely negative.

The ensuing online media firestorm had co-founders, Julia Cordray and Nicole McCullough, shamed on every existing social network, doxxed (their personal information put online) and made the target of personal threats. They retreated from most online platforms, but did post that they were listening to the criticisms, and would be changing the most contentious things about the app before launch.

That day has arrived as they prepare for the world to judge their product, as opposed to their intentions.

"I would say the death threats. That was kind of ridiculous," says Cordray, the Calgary-based CEO, when asked what was the worst thing about the social media backlash.

Cordray says there are four main changes to the app:

1. Users have to join the app to participate. You must use your Facebook profile (which has to be older than six months) to log in and provide your phone number. Initially, anybody could create a profile of another person, if they had that other person's email and phone number.

2. The app scrapped a five-star rating system, and instead created a Peeple number, which is the total number of online recommendations in each of three areas you can be judged in the app: professional, personal and dating.

3. Users now have full control of what is published on their profile. Originally, positive comments would go live immediately, but lower or negative appraisals would stay private for 48 hours, as users were supposed to negotiate to improve that rating before it went public.

4. The ability to deactivate an account at any time. Initially, Peeple planned to have no way to opt out.

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Canadian Julia Cordray, right, and her U.S. business partner Nicole McCullough, creators of the Peeple app. CONTRIBUTED

Drone racing a rapidly growing pastime

They sound like big mechanical bees. But the constant buzz at the indoor Sportsplex2 in Vaughan, Ont., came from small unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), or drones.

Some of the machines flying were small enough to rest on the palm of your hand — a DJI Inspire looks large enough to transport a chihuahua. Devices flown Saturday night ranged in price from less than $100 to as much as $4,000 plus.

In rapidly increasing numbers, people are spending that kind of money (plus a considerable amount of assembly and flight time) on one of the fastest growing pastimes around: drone racing.

And for pilots who hone their skills to the max, there are shots at both fame and fortune. Last year, the inaugural U.S. Drone Nationals were held in San Diego, and a major indoor competition took place in Ontario earlier this year.

The appeal isn't just prestige. Though the first competitions began with modest purses and prizes offered by manufacturers, the ante has been upped considerably. There is now an International Drone Racing Association, offering a top prize of $250,000 US in the World Drone Prix.

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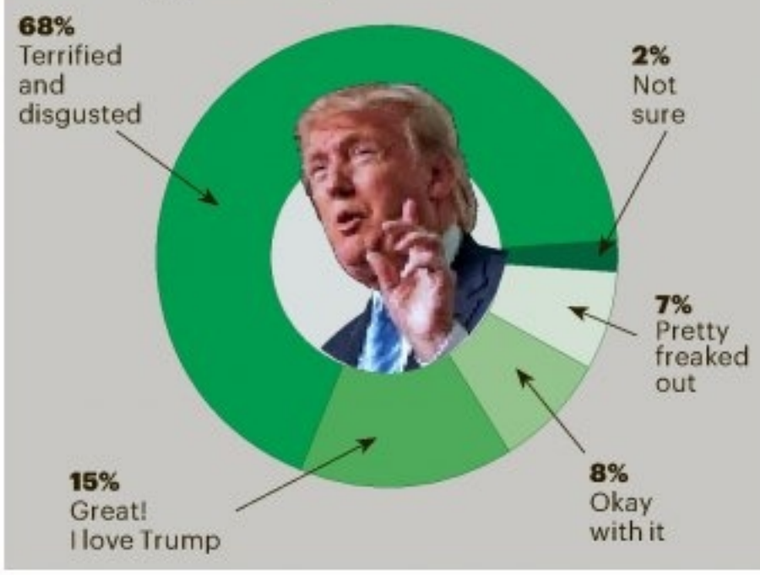
MONDAY METRO POLL

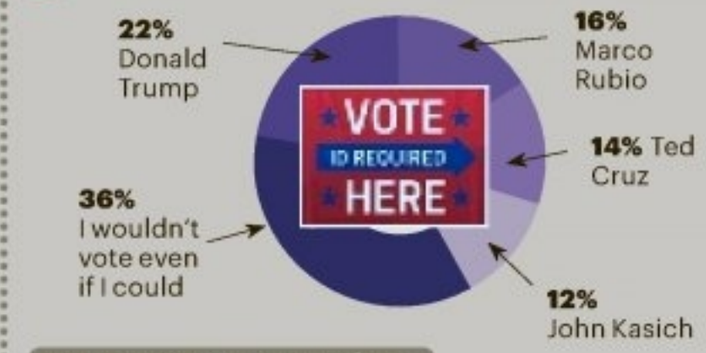
Should the U.S. dump Trump?

He's brash, he's bombastic, he's a billionaire — and he very well could become the next President of the United States. Donald Trump appears close to clinching the Republican nomination, and that has many people jumpy (and others jumping for joy). We asked our readers if they're happy about a potential Trump administration, or if they were hoping never to hear those two words together.

1 How do you feel about the prospect of a Donald Trump presidency?



2 Who would you vote for in the Republican primary?



WE ASKED Metro readers

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I'm concerned all of the U.S. has gone koo koo bananas!

If Donald Trump takes office, he will create an atmosphere of hate and intolerance.

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Mad about property tax hikes? Blame city's 'dad'

Colin Fast

Sick of property tax increases and want to give the idiots at city hall a piece of your mind?

Well, maybe you should save some of that anger for the idiots on Broadway instead, because they're at least as responsible for the city's current financial mess as anyone on city council.

The city has little power to establish alternate revenue. Instead, it has to ask dad (the province) for permission every time it has an idea to raise money.

As finance chair Marty Morantz said repeatedly over the last week, the way the city generates revenue right now, primarily through property taxes, is antiquated. It doesn't keep pace with inflation, it doesn't allow the city to capture a share of economic growth, and it punishes citizens for improving their own homes.

But because the city is a creature of the province, it has little power to establish alternate revenue sources. Instead, it has to ask dad (the province) for permission every time it has a new idea to raise money. And dad has been a real jerk about this issue over the past several years.

In 2003, Mayor Glen Murray proposed an ambitious "new deal" that would shift some of the tax burden away from properties and allow the city access to a share of the provincial sales tax along with new revenue sources like a civic sales tax, liquor tax and fuel tax. The province said no.

Mayor Sam Katz repeatedly asked for a dedicated share of the PST. The province said no.

Mayor Brian Bowman recently mused about assessing fees on new developments to help pay for related infrastructure. The province said no before any discussion as to whether the idea even made sense.

As if that wasn't bad enough, the province has also allowed school divisions to jack up their own property tax rates far beyond what the city has done.

When the city asked if it could issue separate bills for municipal and education taxes so homeowners could at least see more clearly where their money is going, the province said no again.

Even when the province increases its own financial transfers to the city, there are usually strings attached. Rather than allowing the city to spend where it sees fit, the province says no, and doles out cash in dribs and drabs to support its own political priorities.

This is one father-son relationship that's clearly broken, and every property owner in the city is suffering for it.

Let's hope the pending provincial election provides an opportunity for reconciliation.

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The Trump campaign looks, quite simply, a lot like America

So far, the Republican presidential primary has been described as a schoolyard, a circus, a joke, a nightmare, a problem to be fixed, a slow-motion train wreck, the beginning of the end of the Republican Party, the beginning of a new kind of political party.

But for those of us seated comfortably on the outside, it has looked, simply, a lot like America.

Those flabbergasted by The Donald's seeming supremacy thus far — I understand. They see things changing dramatically before their eyes, and it scares the hell out of them.

But what, really, is changing? It is not American culture, which birthed Trump, and which often seems to prize individual wealth and fame above all else. What is changing is American politics, insofar as it is reflecting the broader zeitgeist.

In Trump's words on Thursday, before he called Mitt Romney "irrelevant" and spent the next 30 minutes berating him: "This is not a plateau, this is a movement. We have a movement going on, folks."

Indeed. What is Donald Trump if not the inevitable progeny of American popular culture, and the logical end to it? In 2012, one study found that 10- to 12-year-old American kids wanted, above all, to be famous when they grow up, and that they wanted the fame for its own sake, though surely wouldn't mind the money. As an American friend and I joke, in Canada, people say, "If I was rich..." and in the U.S., it's, "When I'm rich..."

Trump's outsized everything — bombast, ego, tanning regime, verbiage, so-called "policies," insults, outrage — is politics, supersized, just like the cliché American diet.

This is not to say that Trump is not disturbing. Like many, I've been guzzling Trump think-pieces like Pepto-Bismol, but nothing calmed that burning feeling in the pit of my stomach until a recent Vox article. It equates Trump-love with authoritarianism, and illuminates the existence of a distinct voter in the U.S. — the authoritarian. A person who prizes order and conformity above all else. A person who approves of Trump's regressive slogan and his alpha male persona, which promises to strong-arm the country into submission.

The article describes how a variety of factors, including decades of fear-mongering from right-wing media, the collapse of the middle class and dramatic social change like same-sex marriage have combined to trigger authoritarian tendencies in enough Americans to make The Donald credible.

In other words: Trump is suited exactly to his time and place, in the good old U.S. of A.

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Lena Dunham, who has endometriosis, is undergoing surgery after an ovarian cyst rupture

Like Beyoncé sings, "best revenge is your paper." **Metro's finance guru Lesley-Anne Scorgie** has only five more weeks to break Annick and Yolanda of any bad financial habits and to build a budget for their future.

Budgeting for Beyoncé

LESLEY-ANNE SCORGIE
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THE CHALLENGE: Metro's financial guru Lesley-Anne Scorgie is performing a financial makeover on two young women. Annick, a Calgary-based 24-year-old, and Yolanda, a Mississauga-based 27-year-old, have just 12 weeks to get their finances in order. Follow along @LesleyScorgie #MetroMoneyMakeover to see their progress.

THIS WEEK: "What-if" expenses can throw you off budget and Annick must build up a financial buffer to weather these infrequent cash-crunches.

NEXT WEEK: Yolanda's frugality is really paying off. She's up to $600 per month in savings for her down payment. Can she afford to continue sponsoring two children and tithe to her place of worship?

LESLEY-ANNE SCORGIE IS A BESTSELLING AUTHOR AND FOUNDER OF MEVEST, A MONEY COACHING SERVICE FOR CANADIANS. FOLLOW HER @LESLEYSCORGIE

THE SITUATION

Even if Michael Jackson came back from the dead, Annick wouldn't pay as much to see him perform as she has to watch Beyoncé in Edmonton this May. Tickets went on sale two weeks ago and Annick, plus one friend, jumped on presale seats for a whooping $322 a piece. What?

I get it. Beyoncé is killer in concert and Annick needs to reward herself every so often. But would $200 tickets have done the trick?

The price of Annick's Beyoncé ticket is equivalent to 11 per cent of her outstanding consumer debt. In Annick's 60/60/60 debt reduction plan, where she eliminates one of her consumer debts every 60 days, she's earmarked $950 in March towards debt repayment. We ran the numbers and Annick needs to pick up extra shifts at her part-time job (she also has a regular full-time gig) this month to afford both Beyoncé and this month's debt payments.

Over a virtual Skype handshake last week, Annick and I agreed that if she hasn't made her target for debt repayment by March 15, she'll trade in her premium Beyoncé tickets for the nosebleed seats. I think she can do it!

Annick spent $322 on a ticket to see Beyoncé, but she's promised to downgrade her seats if she misses the mark on her debt repayment plan. GETTY IMAGES; JENNIFER FRIESEN/FOR METRO

THE LESSON

Even the most frugal and financially dedicated people still need fun and entertainment in their life. Otherwise, they'll end up with bags of money, flaky friends and lonely. The key however, is to strike a balance — a.k.a. frugal rewards that fill your soul, not drain your bank account.

One of the most effective approaches to frugal rewards is to build up a financial buffer. It's similar to building emergency funds for legit "what-if" scenarios. You simply open a separate account from the one your paycheque gets deposited into, and contribute in regular automatic intervals such as $25 bi-weekly. That way, when trips to Miami or encounters with Beyoncé pop up, you can afford the purchase and shed any overspending guilt.

Annick requires two financial buffer accounts; the first is for fun splurges and she'll start contributing $20 per paycheque into a high-interest savings account for that. The second, is an emergency fund that she'll build within her TFSA by contributing $25 biweekly. Having both will ensure her "what-if" needs and wants are covered. When she's consumer debt-free this July, she can amp up her contributions to both.

$ NET WORTH

THE PROGRESS

Since January, Annick has added $1,700 to her net worth by reducing her debt and starting to save for retirement in her group RRSP through work.

Assets	
RRSP	$600
Total assets:	**$600**
Liabilities	
Student loan	$58,500
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MasterCard	$500
Other loans	$950
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Net worth	**($60,750)**

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Have cramps? Take the day off

HEALTH

U.K. company's planned period policy sparks debate

Sick days are standard in most organizations, but a British company may soon allow its female employees leave to cope with a specific ailment: period pain.

Bristol-based community hub Coexist is aiming to develop a "period policy" which could potentially include allowing women time off during menstruation. Coexist is hosting a Pioneering Period Policy event slated for March 15.

"The purpose of this policy initiative is to create a positive approach to menstruation and the menstrual cycle that empowers women and men and supports the effectiveness and well-being of the organization," reads a portion of the event overview.

Coexist looks to potentially follow the path blazed by countries where menstrual leave has been enshrined in law.

A 2005 Canadian study found 51 per cent of 934 women reported their activities had been limited due to cramping during menstruation. ISTOCK

Japan enacted menstruation leave in 1947. In Taiwan, female workers "having difficulties" working during menstruation can request a one-day leave each month. South Korea also offers paid menstrual leave.

In an emailed statement, Nike said workers at contract factories manufacturing for the sportswear giant are provided menstrual leave in countries where this benefit is protected under local law.

However, the company doesn't have a formal menstrual leave policy. A 2005 Canadian study looking at the prevalence of women with primary dysmenorrhea — recurrent pain and cramping during menstruation — found that severe symptoms could notably impact their daily lives.

Among 934 women with the condition, researchers said 51 per cent reported that their activities had been limited, and 17 per cent reported missing school or work.

"There's a significant amount of women that have some pain with their periods, and in a portion of those women it is quite unmanageable," said Dr. Catherine Allaire, medical director of the B.C. Women's Centre for Pelvic Pain and Endometriosis.

Allaire said some women can be bedridden as a result of severe discomfort, which can also be a symptom of endometriosis — a painful condition where the tissue lining the uterus grows outside the organ. "There's a discomfort in discussing private problems of that sort," said Allaire. "It's also not a cancer or anything deadly, so it's not something that people understand can cause so much disability."

Toronto-based human resources specialist Lisa Kay said the introduction of menstrual leave has the potential to raise positive and negative issues in the workplace.

"From the employee's perspective, it certainly is nice to know that your employer appreciates that this is a challenging time for women, and would support a woman taking this time off if necessary. But I do think it's awkward for a woman to approach a male employer," said Kay, president and lead consultant of Peak Performance Human Resources.

"There would need to be resources in place or support systems in place to make it feasible for women to take advantage of this."

From an HR perspective, Kay expressed concerns over instituting a policy that would benefit a portion of the company's workforce.

"It really only represents a small demographic of employees who suffer from this particular ailment and it impacts their work. There's thousands of other things," said Kay.

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JEOPARDY

Victor Ferreira's spot on quiz show a dream come true

There's never been anything trivial about Victor Ferreira's Jeopardy obsession.

When his family immigrated to Cambridge, Ont., from the Azores, a 3-year-old Ferreira had access to only a few channels. And amid screenings of Beetlejuice and The Price is Right, the precocious toddler who spoke only Portuguese became weirdly fixated on this blue-hued quizshow and its demanding esoterica.

"I understood, like, none of it," Ferreira recalled. "But it was a little world I could uncover."

And the rewards for Ferreira's Jeopardy zealotry really haven't ceased since: the show helped him learn English, then led to his adolescent adoration for Reach for the Top, and, finally, to the show's sparkling Culver City, Calif., studio and a meeting with Alex Trebek.

This Friday, Ferreira will finally compete on Jeopardy after years of trying. And he so happens to be appearing just after the show announced that Canadians are no longer able to apply due to online privacy laws — so he could be one of the last Canucks quizzing.

"After watching the show for so long and dreaming of being on it, it's surreal," Ferreira said. "You're stepping into a real-life dream."

Ferreira grew up in a "very humble" household, the youngest of three siblings all a decade-plus older ("I was a mistake baby"). His parents had elementary-school educations and worked long hours to provide, his dad as a construction worker, his mother as a nanny, until debilitating osteoarthritis forced her into retirement.

It didn't take long for his siblings to realize Victor was different.

"From two years old, he always wanted to get into conversations with the grown-ups," remembered his brother Rui.

"He always had a lot of questions," agreed his sister, Natercia Hennessey. "I'm so happy that we have Google now, but back then we didn't. The only way I could fuel his mind was to get him a library card."

After a distinguished high school stint, Ferreira was accepted to McMaster for health sciences, thus becoming the first person in his family to go to university. He eventually achieved a PhD in medical sciences and now works as a researcher at the University Health Network.

He's been trying to get on Jeopardy for years, including a near-Trebek experience in 2011 when he passed the first stage of screening. He learned just before Christmas that he was successful this time, and immediately began training with the sort of rabid rigour usually reserved for boxing-movie montages.

His specialties are science and pop culture, so he focused on his weaknesses, including poetry and Civil War minutiae. He downloaded his own buzzer sounds, staged trial games against friends, and practised his clicker timing by watching Jeopardy with a yellow highlighter in hand.

He shot his show on Jan. 27, journeying with his girlfriend to California for the first time. The next day was his 30th birthday, which they celebrated playing in the waves of Venice Beach, left alone in the 22 C mildness.

He can't talk about the outcome, but he delighted in meeting Trebek. He had heard the host could be a "little cranky" but instead found him generously open, game to chat about the Azores and joke about the American-centric questions.

As far as how Ferreira felt stepping onstage? We'll take "unbelievably nervous" for $1,000, Alex.

"On a scale from one to 10, I was a 15," he said. "You just hope you don't make a total ass of yourself on TV."

Well, his family would have been proud no matter the outcome. His siblings — two of whom work at a Denso manufacturing plant in Guelph, another at an ONroute in Cambridge — speak glowingly of their baby brother. Hennessey recalls filming Victor's high school graduation, where he was valedictorian, and ruining the audio. "The whole thing, all you can hear is me crying."

And of course, Ferreira's parents, who don't speak much English, are thrilled.

"They usually watch the Portuguese evening news, then turn over and watch Wheel of Fortune and Jeopardy — two shows with the highest degree of difficulty for non-native speakers," he said. "They've been telling all their friends to tune in and watch."

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Ferreira will likely be among the last Canadians to appear on Jeopardy. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

High-octane tension in the ordinary moments

THE SHOW: Togetherness, Season 2, Episode 2 (HBO)
THE MOMENT: The Game

In a L.A. backyard, Tina (Amanda Peet), her sister Michelle (Melanie Lynskey), Michelle's husband Brett (Mark Duplass), Brett's best friend Alex (Steve Zissis) and Alex's new girlfriend Christy (Ginger Gonzaga) play a party game: Someone names a movie, the next person names a star from it. Simple? Hah.

In season one, Tina rejected Alex. Now he's successful, and Tina's jealous of Christy, who's young and hot. Christy is onto Tina. So when Tina screws up the game, Christy humiliates her by condescending to her. "You can reject a clue if it's too hard," he says, as if to a child. She offers to switch seats, "so it will be easier for you."

"You don't have to change the rules for me," Tina says, eyeballing her. "I'm a big girl."

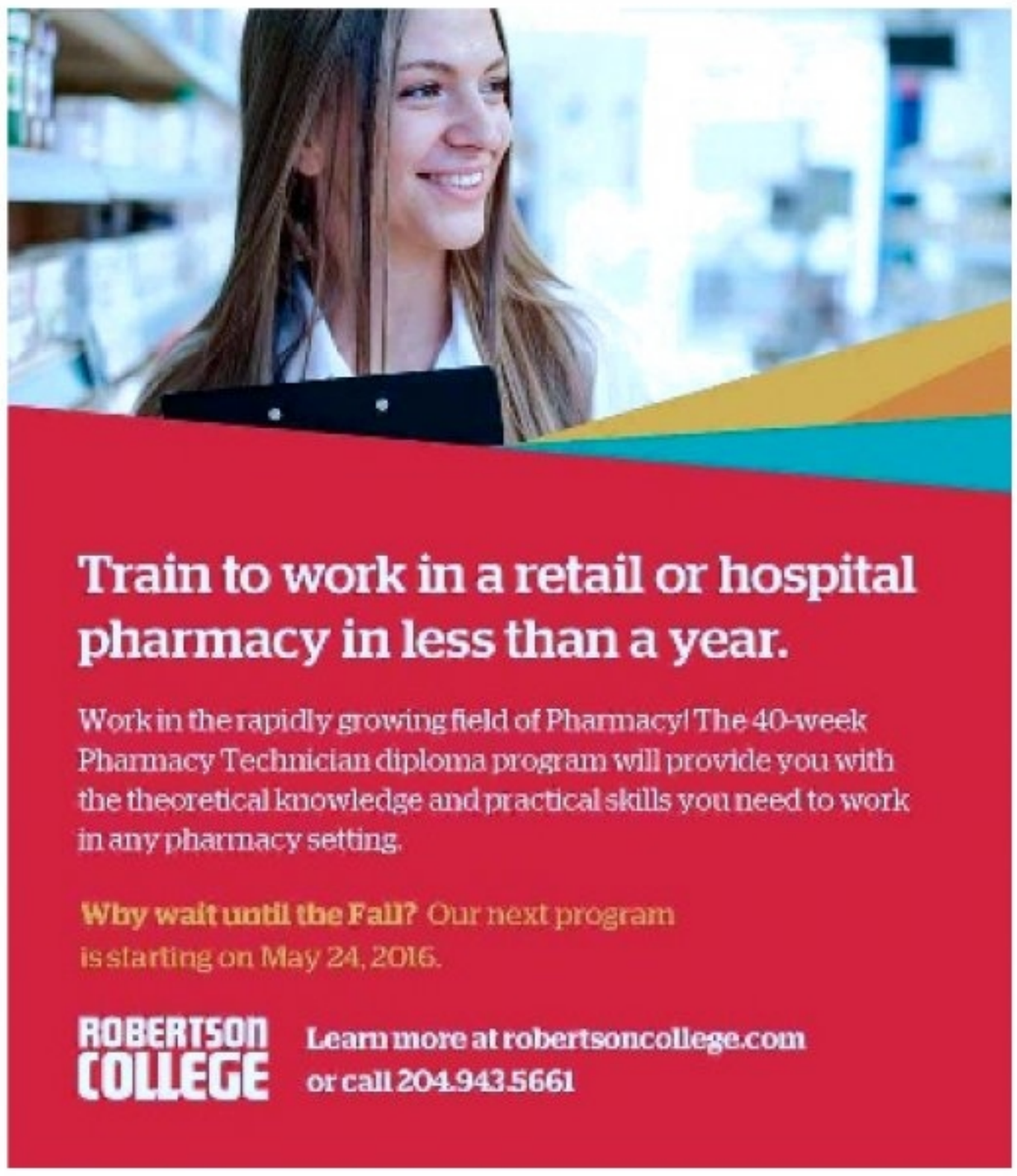
For four minutes (!) the tension escalates. The players squirm.

This show, created by Duplass, Zissis, and Duplass's brother Jay (who co-stars on Transparent), is so good is makes me mad. I'm irked that I'm not pals with the Duplasses and their gang of creatives. I'd voluntarily hold their boom, and I hate holding things over my head. I can barely change my shower curtain.

The whole season shines. Peet and Lynskey are especially moving. And anyone who doubts that drama can be wrung from seemingly ordinary moments should study the end of this scene, as Tina and Christy bet on whether Jennifer Grey costarred in Ferris Bueller's Day Off. It's like the car chase in The French Connection, but on lawn chairs.

Peet stars in the Duplass brothers' HBO series Togetherness. CONTRIBUTED

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.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Lionel Messi scored twice in a 4-0 win over Eibar as FC Barcelona ran its unbeaten run to 36 games in all competitions

Skip Pat Simmons and Team Canada are 3-0 through the Brier's opening weekend. JUSTIN TANG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Manitoba's do-it-all alternate priceless

CURLING

Mead guided Winnipeg rink to the Brier

Jon Mead is listed as an alternate for Team Manitoba at the Tim Hortons Brier in Ottawa. His list of duties is much longer than that.

Mead stepped away last spring after a long career as a player and moved into a new role as a coach, mentor, team manager and fifth for Mike McEwen's rink.

It's the first year that McEwen has had someone in the position on a full-time basis. Mead has helped guide the team to another strong season and McEwen's first berth in the national men's curling championship.

"He's the guy who keeps us accountable, keeps us honest," McEwen said. "At the end of a long day, he knows how to put smiles on our faces and help us relax."

Mead, who won Brier titles as a third for Jeff Stoughton in 1999 and 2011, spent last season with Ontario's Glenn Howard before they parted ways.

He joined the McEwen crew of third B.J. Neufeld, second Matt Wozniak and lead Denni Neufeld last June.

"It's been a neat way to continue to try to find a way to stay in the game and stay relevant, but in a role that I'm really comfortable with," Mead said.

Mead, 48, provides advice when needed and handles a variety of tasks so that the players can focus on their game. The new structure helped the team finally win a provincial title and get to the Brier.

Jon Mead THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

"There's tons of stuff to do behind the scenes," McEwen said. "Booking flights, hotels, scheduling our practices and events and media stuff. He's started to slowly take over more and more roles that maybe (in the past) we would have done as the four athletes on the ice.

"That's been huge as far as that support is concerned."

McEwen split his first two games at TD Place, dropping a 5-4 decision to Brad Gushue of Newfoundland and Labrador on Saturday before topping Ontario's Glenn Howard 6-2 on Sunday morning. Manitoba was scheduled to play New Brunswick's Mike Kennedy in the evening draw.

In the afternoon games, Canada's Pat Simmons posted a 6-3 win over Jamie Koe of the Northwest Territories and Alberta's Kevin Koe dumped Prince Edward Island's Adam Casey 10-4. Saskatchewan's Steve Laycock doubled B.C.'s Jim Cotter 8-4 and Howard shaded Gushue 4-3.

Simmons was the lone rink at 3-0 after five draws of round-robin play. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL

Oilers Korpikoski, Talbot foil Jets

Lauri Korpikoski's go-ahead goal late in the second period proved to be the game winner and Cam Talbot made 39 saves as the Edmonton Oilers edged the Winnipeg Jets 2-1 on Sunday night.

Patrick Maroon also scored for Edmonton (26-35-7). Winnipeg (27-33-5) got its lone goal from Mark Scheifele, who continued his torrid scoring pace with his 21st.

SUNDAY at MTS Centre

OILERS	JETS
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The Oilers moved out of the basement in the Western Conference ahead of Calgary and are tied with the Jets with 59 points.

Talbot made a sprawling glove save midway through the third period to retain the lead and earn his 16th win of the season. Ondrej Pavelec picked up his 10th loss after allowing two goals on 31 shots.

Connor McDavid had the best chance of a scoreless first period, accepting a breakout pass from fellow former No. 1 overall pick Nail Yakupov to put him in alone on Pavelec. The Jets goaltender was up to the task, getting his glove hand on McDavid's deke attempt to keep the game scoreless five minutes in. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NFL

Manning retiring after 18 seasons

Peyton Manning surveyed the landscape of his brilliant career and called one last audible. He's retiring a champion.

A month after Denver's triumph in Super Bowl 50, Manning informed John Elway he is following his lead and riding off into that orange sunset just like the Broncos' boss did 17 years ago after winning his second Super Bowl.

Just shy of 40, Manning will forgo $19 million and a 19th season in the NFL, where he served as both a throwback and a transformer during a glittering career bookmarked by an unprecedented five MVP awards and dozens of passing records.

Peyton Manning GETTY IMAGES

"Peyton was a player that guys wanted to play with," Elway said. "That made us better as a team and I'm thrilled that we were able to win a championship in his final year."

The Broncos scheduled a news conference for 11 a.m. Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA

Champs look like chumps vs. Lakers

Jordan Clarkson scored 25 points, D'Angelo Russell added 21 and the Los Angeles Lakers stunned the Golden State Warriors 112-95 on Sunday, handing the defending NBA champions just their sixth loss of the season, all on the road.

Kobe Bryant added 12 points in helping the Lakers earn one of the biggest upsets in NBA history and their biggest victory in a downtrodden farewell season for Bryant, who spent the fourth quarter on the bench resting his aching right shoulder.

Stephen Curry led the Warriors with 18 points on a day when they were awful offensively. Klay Thompson added 15 points, but the Splash Brothers were a combined 1-for-18 from three-point range. In all, the Warriors missed 26 of 30 attempts from long range.

Golden State fell to 55-6 and the Lakers improved to 13-51. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RARE LOSS

The loss snapped Golden State's seven-game winning streak.

IN BRIEF

Astros blast Blue Jays

Jon Singleton homered, doubled and drove in three runs, Colby Rasmus homered and a Houston Astros split squad beat the Toronto Blue Jays 7-1 on Sunday.

Singleton and Rasmus each hit their first spring home runs. Rasmus led off the second inning by connecting against Marcus Stroman, and Singleton homered in the fifth.

Stroman struck out four in three innings, giving up only Rasmus' homer in his second start.

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Report: Utley's two-game suspension has been lifted

After all that, Chase Utley is safe. The two-game suspension imposed on the Los Angeles Dodgers infielder after his hard takeout slide broke the leg of Mets shortstop Ruben Tejada in last year's playoffs has been dropped.

On Sunday, a person briefed on the decision told The Associated Press that Major League Baseball and the players' union had managed to reach an agreement that rescinded the ban.

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RECIPE Vegetarian Chickpea Chili

PHOTO: MAYA VISNYEI

Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

Start your week off right with this hearty and healthy meatless chili. It makes enough that you can pack it up for tomorrow's lunch.

Ready in
Prep time: 5 minutes
Total time: 70 minutes
Serves 6

Ingredients
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 medium yellow onion, chopped
- 1 large carrot, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, chopped
- 1 medium green bell pepper, cored, seeded and chopped
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- 2 tsp ground cumin
- 2 Tbsp chili powder
- 1/4 tsp cinnamon
- 1 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 28-oz can diced tomatoes
- 4 cups water
- 1 cup pearl barley
- 1 can chickpeas, drained and rinsed (16 oz)
- 1 can black beans, drained and rinsed (16 oz)

Garnish: Grated cheddar, sour cream, chopped cilantro

Directions

1. Heat oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add garlic, onion, carrot, celery and pepper and cook for 10 minutes, or until vegetables are softened, not browned.

2. Add oregano, cumin, chili powder, cinnamon and salt and stir to blend.

3. Add tomatoes and 4 cups of water. Stir in barley. Gently simmer over low heat, uncovered, for 45 minutes.

4. Add chickpeas and black beans. Allow to simmer for another 10 minutes.

5. Serve with grated cheddar, sour cream and fresh, chopped cilantro.

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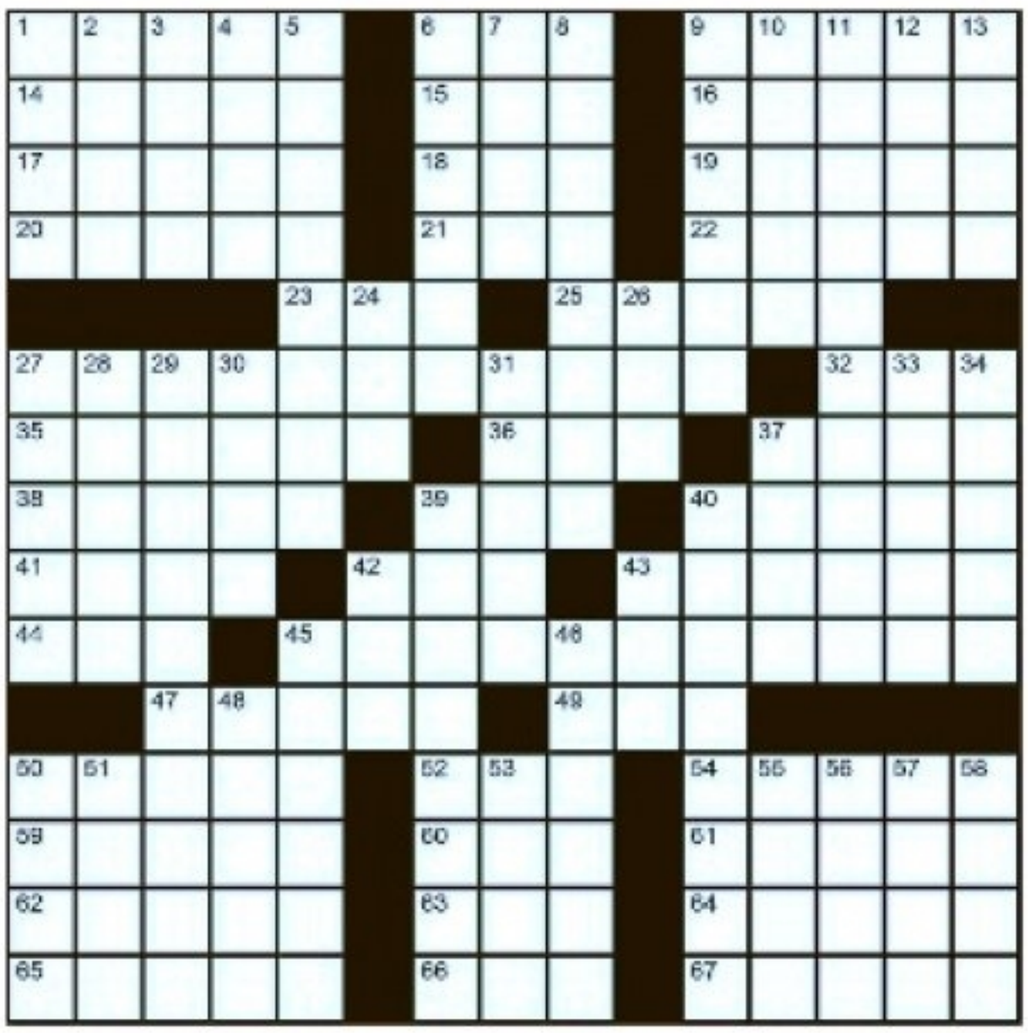

ACROSS
1. Some bananas
6. Friend
9. Prepare, with a skillet: 2 wds.
14. It could be stuffed
15. __ roll
16. Christopher of "Somewhere in Time" (1980)
17. Armada
18. AC/DC song
19. Scarlett O'Hara's mother
20. Flora and __
21. Luau dish
22. Paul Bettany's role in "The Da Vinci Code" (2006)
23. Pressure meas.
25. So much, in music
27. Canadian Army's polar bear mascot who lives at the Toronto Zoo: 2 wds.
32. Post-WWII female mil. aviators group
35. Restaurant
36. Insert
37. __ do (This will suffice)
38. Shows shower: 2 wds.
39. Grand-__, Nova Scotia
40. La __ (Milan opera house)
41. Back
42. Billy __ Williams
43. Highest points
44. Chicago's state [abbr.]
45. Place to play hockey on a winter's day: 2 wds.
47. Leader
49. Cheese from Quebec
50. River of Paris
52. Stealth bird
54. Icky-sounding plant
59. Molten rock
60. Corporate exec.
61. Sing like Michael Buble
62. Movie theatre attendant
63. Canadian hockey legend Mr. Dryden
64. Shoelace tip
65. Estelle of "The Golden Girls"
66. Film studio, DreamWorks ___
67. Wants

DOWN
1. Politely tip one's hat
2. Earthen stewing pot
3. Stead
4. Level
5. Select/single out: 2 wds.
6. Deep-dish meal
7. __ Domini
8. Freedom from constraint
9. San Joaquin Valley city in California
10. Illuminated the candle again
11. 'Big' transport in a Joni Mitchell hit: 2 wds.
12. Eye part
13. Writes
24. Swine dwelling
26. Furthermore...
27. Agar-holding dish
28. Disentangle
29. "Nighttime/Anytime (__ __)" by Canadian band Constantines
30. Sharply turn
31. Canadian actor Mr. Keeso
33. Tim of "Home Improvement"
34. Prohibition Era bottle
37. Froster
39. 1970s fads: 2 wds.
40. Graffiti artist's tool: 2 wds.
42. Scheduled
43. Perfect
45. Headline-making Mrs. in 1871 Chicago history
46. Tea type
48. Not fulfilled, as expectations
50. Conceited
51. Slacken
53. Month segment
55. Advocate
56. Mr. Porter
57. Type of student
58. Sidewalk 'hill' creators

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
Keep your eyes peeled and you'll spot an opportunity to make a name for yourself. Don't worry if you look pushy, worry only that you might miss your shot if you hesitate.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Be precise in what you are trying to say. If you are vague with your words no one will know what it is you are trying to communicate and nothing will get done. Be blunt.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Something will get under your skin today. It may be something interesting, it may even be something important, but don't shout and scream about it. This is something for you alone to investigate and make use of.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You're in an adventurous mood and will want to explore further afield than usual. Just be careful you don't stray into areas where you do not know your way around. And always be aware of the quickest route out!

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
You may be your usual energetic self but don't expect others to be as motivated as you. Not everyone shares your passion and this could be one of those days when it is better to do things yourself.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Whatever you turn your hand to today it will work out better than you expected, even if it is the kind of thing you have never done before.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
There is a danger today that you will try to prove yourself by doing too much. Libra is a cardinal sign, which means you like to take the lead, but make sure you know where you are going before you set out.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You can be too hard on yourself, especially when you fail to live up to the impossibly high standards you try to live by. You must be more forgiving today. You're only human.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Someone will get a tongue-lashing today, and no doubt they deserve it, but later you may wish you had not been quite so scathing. Let them know you don't hold a grudge.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
For quite some time now someone has been trying to let you know that they see you as more than just a friend or colleague. But do you feel the same way about them? You will have to decide and let them know.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
The best, and maybe only, way to get results is to transform your current situation. Drastic changes will be made but, having made them, your life will be better — not the same.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Nothing is impossible for you now. You can move mountains if you so choose. A more productive aim might be to bring together people in pursuit of a common aim.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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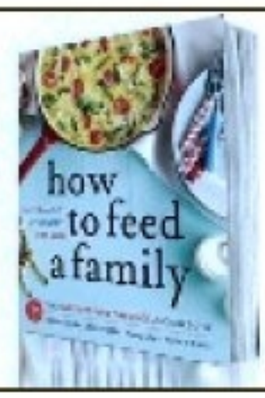

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